the Central Department of Tourism during the first three years of the Seventh Plan for development of tourism infrastructure in Andhra Pradesh:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Name of the project	Amount sanctioned	Amount released
1. Wayside f cilities with accommodation at Lepakshi	16·08	4.00
2. Construction of Cafeteria with accommodation at Nagarjunasagar	23.70	5.00
3. Construction of additional accommodation at Ramappa	20.81	5.00
4. Construction of six single bed room and six double bed room cottages at Rishikonda	20.80	5.00
5. Provision of boats at Hussain Sagar, Ramappa and Pakhal Lakes	5·30	4.75
6. Construction of additional accommodation at Pakhal	2·33	1·00
7. Master Plan for Golconda	3·12	0.75
8. Yatri Niwas at Hyderabad	25·29	10.00
9. S.E.L. Show at Golconda	49.40	20.00
TOTAL :	166·83	55.50

These proj cts ar · in various stages of ex cution.

Construction of New Hotels in Backward Areas

2635. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether any central subsidy for construction of new hotels in specified Backward areas has been given; and

(b) if so, what are the names of such specified backward areas, Statewise?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of the Central Investment Subsidy given to individual hotels set up in backward areas is not maintained centrally. However, under the Central Investment Subsidy Scheme, 1971, hotels set up in specified backward areas are eligible for the grant of Central Subsidy. The rates of subsidy vary according to the category of the districts/areas as under:—

'A' Category	25% (Subject to a maximum of Rs. 25 lakhs)
'B' Category	15% (subject to a maximum of Rs. 15 lakhs)
'C' Category	10% (subject to a maximum of Rs. 10 lakhs)

(MRTP/FERA companies are not eligible.)

Attracting Foreign Tourists in Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu

2636. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to